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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I have been buying broadband since 1997. During the early years, there was a lot of competition, service was awesome and prices were reasonable.

Since the rule that local telcos had to lease lines to DSL providers was removed, prices have gone up and quality has gone down. Both AT&T and Comcast provide suboptimal service for super high prices.

Compared to other countries, the US has the slowest broadband speeds and the highest costs.

A year ago, I moved to a house that had Sonic fiber service. Sonic provides reasonably priced, super-fast, super-reliable Internet connectivity. Since I switched to Sonic, I have had the best broadband experience of my 21 years of consuming broadband.

Please keep the rule such that providers like Sonic can purchase backhaul service at a reasonable rate so that AT&T doesn't destroy the ability for Sonic and others to provide competitive services.

Thanks!

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